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 For : POLARIZATION-STABLE VERTICAL SURFACE EMITTING
 LASER DEVICE AND A METHOD OF STABILIZING THE
 POLARIZATION OF A VERTICAL CAVITY SURFACE
 EMITTING LASER DEVICE

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Commissioner for Patents
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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

This is a petition for a **ONE-month** extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed **July 11, 2003**. A response to the shortened statutory period was due on **October 11, 2003**. Therefore, the extension will extend the period for response to **November 12, 2003**, November 11, 2003 being a Federal Holiday. A response in connection with this matter is being filed herewith and, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.8, should be deemed as timely filed within the extension period.

The **small entity** extension fee for a **ONE-month** extension of time is **\$55.00**. The Fee Transmittal form PTO/SB/17 and Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 are being transmitted with this Petition and Fee for Extension of Time for payment of the required extension fee.

Although the undersigned believes that no further extension of time or fee is required, if a further extension of time or fee should be required, please consider this a petition therefore and authorization to the Commissioner to charge Account No. 06-0250.

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